## ROSS Helpdesk Note 2000-10 Opening Attachments

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**From**: The ROSS Helpdesk

**To:** All users

**System:** Dispatch Messaging System (DMS).

**Subject**: Problems opening attachments in DMS messages.

**Purpose:** To inform and instruct users having difficulty opening attachments in DMS

messages.

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**Problem:** Some offices are having difficulty opening attachments in DMS messages.

**Solution**: 1. Go into Netscape Mesenger. From the toolbar select *Edit* and then *Preferences*. In the left hand column, click on the + sign by Navigator and

click on *Applications*.

- 2. In the *Description* window, scroll down to *WINWORD File* and click on each. (There should be 3. After clicking on *WINWORD File*, check in the box titled *File type details*, next to *Extension*. It should read *DOT*, *DOC* or *RTF*. Only one is present in each *WINWORD File*, so that explains the need for 3 separate *WINWORD Files*).
- 3. If one, some or all of the WINWORD Files are missing, click on New Type. In the description of type enter WINWORD File. In the File extension line, put in DOC, DOT or RTF (remember, all three are necessary to be assured of being able to open all attachments). In the MIME type box enter application/msword. To fill the Application to use box hit Browse. Either type in the following: C:\Program Files\ Microsoft Office\Office\Winword.exe or use the up arrow until you can choose the (C:) drive. Then in sequence select: Program Files, Microsoft Office, Office, and Winword.exe. Click on OK and your machine should now be able to open attachments.